

THE DAYLIGHT STORE

Furs for Christmas 1-3 Off

We will close out every set of furs or separate muffs and neck pieces at a discount of 33 1/3 per cent

COATS AND SUITS CUT TO CLOSE

For Women and Girls---Come Early

We Shoe the Family

We Close at Noon Christmas

Every body will be given a souvenir who buys any goods before Christmas

American Clothing House

Leaders for 30 years

Miss Cecil Nicolay visited Miss Alma Winder at Rich Hill Saturday.

Squire Darby spent Saturday and Sunday in Foster visiting friends.

For fresh candy go to Prewitt's at Hess's Drug Store, north side of square.

A big tabernacle meeting closed at Appleton City last week. There were 160 converts.

Mrs. J. C. Bracken left for Iowa the last of the week to visit her son, George Bracken.

Frank E. Welch came in from Spearville, Kas., Friday to visit his mother, Mrs. J. W. Ennis.

Mrs. John Seese left Saturday for Oak Grove, Mo., where she will visit until after Christmas.

Hume is now right up with the procession. A moving picture show started up there last week.

Hazel Ludwick returned last week from a visit to relatives in Jefferson City and Kansas City.

Miss Rae Robinson left Saturday for Rich Hill, where she will spend a few days visiting friends.

Grover McElroy is spending a few days in Neosho visiting at the home of his brother, G. H. McElroy.

Look for this sign, "Prewitt's Kandy Kitchen" and buy your Xmas candy there, North side of square.

W. F. Keasling the shoe salesman is in the city where he will spend the holidays visiting home folks.

The Times good friend N. W. Murphy was in the city Saturday and was a pleasant caller at this office.

Rev. R. M. Webdel who has been holding a meeting at Round Prairie arrived home the latter part of the week.

Sheriff Johnson left the last of the week for Los Angeles, Cal., after Dale Jones, who is under arrest in that city.

Mrs. C. M. Leedy of Granby, was in the city the first of the week visiting at the home of her son, Osborne Leedy.

If you haven't got the kind of candy you want for Christmas, give us your order and we will make it for you at Prewitt's.

John Dykeman, Bernie Bohlken and A. J. Meints, prominent farmers of Western Bates were county seat visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. J. B. Batchelor of Appleton City came over Monday to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. V. L. Johnson.

Earl Earsom, who is attending a business college in Springfield, came in the last of the week to spend Christmas with home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Hildebrand are visiting at the home of Mrs. Hildebrand's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Williams, west of town.

The Ray Produce House, on North Main St., are dressing all kinds of fowls for Christmas and New Year. Telephone 28. 10-11

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hall left the last of the week for Wichita, Kas., where they will make their future home with their daughter, Mrs. Elliott.

Mr. and Mrs. John McKissick of Kansas City are visiting at the home of Mrs. McKissick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Frank, southwest of town.

Dr. J. T. Halsey left Wednesday for Sedalia from where he will accompany a sister to St. Louis, where she will undergo a surgical operation.

W. L. Whitney who has for many years managed the Talbott Hotel at Rich Hill, returned Wednesday morning from the Rich Hill Hotel, where he will remain at Christmas. Whitney is a native of Marion, Mo., near which place he owns a ranch.

Get your shoes and overshoes now, Black & Arnold.

J. R. Ford left Tuesday for Adair, Okla., where he will spend some time visiting his son, George.

Marshal Braden, who has charge of the sheriff's office during the absence of Sheriff Johnson, made a trip to Merwin Tuesday on official business.

Rev. R. M. Talbert of the Christian church made a trip to Sedalia Saturday and Sunday night delivered an address in the Christian church in that city.

The big oil tank for the city water and light plant arrived Friday. It is 32 feet long and 10 1/2 feet in diameter and has a capacity of 21000 gallons of oil.

This is your last chance to buy Christmas gifts. Get busy, Black & Arnold.

Floyd E. Fortner, of Johnson town and Miss Elsie Mae Sullins were united in marriage Saturday afternoon by Rev. E. K. Wolfe at the M. E. Church, South, parsonage.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. DeArmond and children left Saturday for Liberty, Mo., where they will spend the holidays with Mrs. DeArmond's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and son, Frank, Jr., left the last of the week for Winterhaven, Fla., where they will spend some time visiting their daughter, Mrs. P. A. Delameter.

O. J. Scribner, traveling sales representative for the Indiana Silo Co., for north east Missouri returned to his home in Butler Monday evening to spend Xmas and the holidays.

Richard Yancey, who has been visiting at the home of A. L. Dixon, southeast of town, has returned to his home in Chicago. Mr. Yancey is a lieutenant of the Chicago police force.

L. L. Hill returned Saturday from Leland, Iowa, where he had accompanied a car of goods for John Anthony who moved to that place. He reports from 6 inches to a foot of snow throughout Iowa.

At a recent meeting of the Daughters of Rebekah the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Nora Blough, N. G.; Nellie Bolin, V. G.; Nina Culver, Sec'y.; Jennie Yeomans, Treas.

We make special prices to close out all Christmas goods this week, Black & Arnold.

Ray's Produce House, 214 North Main St., has installed a steam cream tester and also a device for cleaning cans, makes them sanitary, ready for use. Call and see us. We pay 30 for cream. 10-11

Pena Price returned Saturday from Lake Mills, Iowa. He made the trip in his Buick roadster and was three days crossing Iowa owing to the heavy snow which was from 6 inches to a foot deep all over the state.

Mets has a justice of the peace who offers to marry all red-headed women free says the Mets Times. He is playing it safe at first for no red-headed women want to marry a man so low spirited as to take advantage of a free marriage ceremony.

Black & Arnold Clothing Co.

Tom Newlon of Newlon Bros. Garage, went up to Adrian Tuesday and sold two 1916 model Buicks.

Mrs. J. R. White and Mrs. L. Mosier of Rich Hill were guests of Mrs. Chas. Fortune Saturday afternoon.

Harry "Tink" and Alfred Ellis have opened a bowling alley in the Seese building, southeast corner square.

Last chance before Christmas dinner to buy your suit and overcoat, Black & Arnold.

Eugene Arnold of Kansas City is spending the holidays in this city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Arnold.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Homer Duvall Tuesday, December 21, a boy to which they have given the name of Homer Duvall, Jr.

Mrs. Mary Newell went to Kansas City last week and will spend a few days visiting Mrs. Ina Tiffany and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Preston.

Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Kouch and family desire to express their deepest thanks for the many kindnesses shown them during their great bereavement.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Tucker, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Len Shubert, spent Wednesday in Adrian visiting at the home of D. H. Warford.

Mrs. S. Lutsenizer who has been visiting at the home of her son, Del Lutsenizer, near Spruce and with Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ewin in this city has returned to her home in Kansas City.

Ole P. Gray of Worland and Miss Pearl Badgett of Foster were united in marriage at the recorder's office in the court house Saturday, December 18. Judge Hemstreet officiated.

Francis Catron returned Saturday from Harrisonville where she had coached and directed the production of a play, "The Last Chapter," by the pupils of the Harrisonville High School.

Word was received from Adrian Wednesday that Mrs. H. H. Wyse, who has been suffering from a cancer for some time was very low and that her death could be expected at any time.

Elliott Walker, who is attending the University of Illinois at Champaign, Ill., arrived home Wednesday and will spend the Christmas vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Walker.

Application has been filed with the Public Service Commission by Richard Neuschaefer to sell and F. A. Campbell to buy the Butler-Rich Hill telephone line. The amount involved is \$50,000. The commission took the application under advisement.

Mrs. J. H. Baker of Deepwater township enjoys the distinction of having won first on both the Partridge Rock Pullet and cockerel at the State Poultry Show at Joplin, both birds being returned to Mrs. Baker wearing gold neck bands.

J. W. Isley was in the city Saturday and dropped into this office, threw a big silver dollar on the desk and said he wanted to subscribe for the best paper in the county. He will read The Times for the next year.

Silk novelties, Black & Arnold.

The Amsterdam Electric Light and Power Company have installed another engine to take care of their growing business. The new engine will be used on the dynamo taking care of the white way and picture show.—Amsterdam Local.

Chas. W. Fulkerson of Warrensburg has announced his candidacy for judge of the circuit court for that district. Mr. Fulkerson was a former resident of this city where he has many friends who will wish him success in his campaign for this important office.

Mrs. Phoebe Jackson, an old resident of Bates county, passed away at her home in Papinsville Monday, and her body will be brought here for interment in the Newton Burial Park. Mrs. Jackson was a sister-in-law of Col. Newton. Mr. Jackson died a short time ago.—Nevada Mail.

More mackinaws and balmacons to sell, Black & Arnold.

Death of Martha Moore Stark

Martha Ann Davidson was born in Wilson County, Tennessee, December 14, 1841. In early childhood she removed with her parents to Butler county, Kentucky where she grew to womanhood and where, on Aug. 17, 1856, she was married to Wm. T. Moore. Shortly after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Moore removed to Bates county, Mo., where they settled near Ballard. They entered the land on which they settled and under their careful management the wide acres of prairie land became a beautiful farm home, where, with their family of eight children, three sons and five daughters, they resided until the death of Mr. Moore in 1874.

In 1876 Mrs. Moore was again united in marriage to Thos. M. Stark. To this union were born three children. Mr. Stark died in 1904 since which time she has lived among her children, making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Ona Kretzinger, where she passed away Dec. 17, 1915.

Seven children and two grandsons were at her bedside when she died.

Mrs. Stark gave her heart to God at the early age of thirteen years uniting with the Methodist church and living a faithful member until her death. Over sixty years in the Master's service.

Springtime and summer, autumn and winter, the sowing and reaping, all seasons had been hers, and she well improved the golden years doing something each day for the Savior she loved and trusted.

Through all the trials and hardships of early pioneer life, through the cares of rearing a large family of children, there ran always in her life this strong current of Godliness which gave to her heart the strength to endure, and to her face the smile which seemed always to rest there.

Deceased had been in failing health for some time, suffering much with rheumatism. Finally pneumonia fastened its hold upon her. All that loyal devoted children, all that kind friends and neighbors could do was lovingly done, but the frail body yielded to the dread disease. In her last hours she talked and sang and prayed with the loved ones gathered around her and thus her death was a triumphant ending of the beautiful christian life she had lived. Like the closing of a calm sweet day, even was the closing of this long and useful life, the sun gone down, the shadows deepening into dark, and the sweet assurance of a bright tomorrow lasting through all eternity.

Nine children are left to mourn the loss of this good mother. Two daughters, Mrs. Josephine Hill and Mrs. Belle Vivion having preceded her to the beautiful land beyond. The surviving children are Mrs. Asbury Meador, Texas; John Moore, Grenola, Kas.; Mrs. Lydia Carter, Rockville; Mrs. Eddie Osborn, Higginsville; Jasper Moore, Eureka, Kas.; Albert Moore, Montana; Mrs. Luther Weatherly, Twin Falls, Idaho; Mrs. Ona Kretzinger, Spruce; Miss Madge Stark, Livingston, Mont.

Funeral services were held from the Kretzinger home Sunday at 10 a. m., conducted by Rev. Snapp pastor of the Spruce M. E. church, after which the remains were taken to Appleton City for interment.

DYNAMITE KILLS FIVE

Fifty Pound Box of Dynamite Explodes at Duvall Ranch. Five Dead; One Wounded.

Five men are dead and one wounded as the result of the explosion of a fifty pound box of dynamite at the W. F. Duvall ranch east of Athol early Monday morning.

The dead are: Bert Blough, Clarence Clark, Manfred Kouch, Samuel Gibbs, Hollis Gibbs.

Injured: Lonas Gibbs. The explosion, which occurred at 6:30 o'clock Monday morning was of such terrific force that the shock was felt for miles around. Bert Blough was instantly killed, and Hollis Gibbs and Clarence Clark lived only a few moments after the explosion. Blough's body was badly mangled, both legs and one arm being torn from the trunk and his head was mutilated. Both Hollis Gibbs and Clark were mangled.

Just how the accident occurred will probably never be known unless Lonas Gibbs, the only surviving one of those handling the dynamite recovers.

According to John Howard, superintendent of the Duvall ranch, who was ill at the time of the accident, the men had no instructions to use dynamite, but had been sent to the stump patch in order to clean up the debris from stumps which had been previously blown.

When the accident occurred the men were gathered about a fire, warming themselves and thawing out a quantity of dynamite, some of them were engaged in crimping caps on short fuses. Just before the explosion occurred, Edgar Stone, one of the workmen, left the fire for the purpose of obtaining an additional supply of caps and thus escaped injury. He was several hundred yards away at the time of the explosion. He immediately ran back to the scene of the disaster together with W. H. Hackworth, who was working in a nearby field. They immediately sent for help and attempted to give first aid to the suffering victims.

Several doctors were summoned from Butler and made desperate efforts to save the lives of the wounded survivors. Samuel Gibbs lingered until about 1:30 p. m. Monday and Manfred Kouch passed away about seven o'clock Monday evening.

Gibbs, who was badly injured, was sent to a hospital in Kansas City Monday where it was thought it would be possible to save his life. Wednesday morning it was reported in Butler that he had contracted pneumonia and was in a most critical condition.

The terrific force of the explosion is shown by Blough's watch which was in his pocket at the time. When found the hands stood at 6:30, mute evidence of the time the disaster occurred. The ring is gone, the stem bent to one side, the back of the case forced in until the prints of the wheels of the works are plainly discernable through the case and the whole blackened and burned. His pocket book, containing some bills was found some distance away with the edges of the bills burned. A watch found on another of the bodies was still running when found.

Of the three boxes of dynamite near the fire only one exploded. Several sticks were scattered about the scene and several sticks caught fire from the scattering embers and burned without exploding.

Bert Blough, who was about 30 years of age, is survived by a little child. Hollis Gibbs was about 35 years of age and is survived by a wife and family. Samuel Gibbs is survived by a wife and seven children. Manfred Kouch, who was the son of K. M. Kouch of southwest of this city; and Clarence Clark, whose parents reside at Adrian, were both unmarried. Young Clark had commenced work on the ranch only Monday morning.

The funeral of Bert Blough was held at the M. E. Church South Tuesday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock interment was made at Oak Hill. The funeral of Manfred Kouch was held at the Christian church Tuesday at 2:30 p. m. and interment made at Oak Hill.

The funeral of Hollis Gibbs was held at Rich Hill Thursday.

The remains of Clarence Clark were taken to Adrian and interment made at Burdette.

The body of Samuel Gibbs was taken to Salt Lick, Kentucky, for interment.

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Useful Christmas Presents

Silk Umbrellas \$2.50 to \$5.00

White and Colored Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c,

Fine Four in Hand Ties in Christmas Boxes 25c, 50c, 75c

Silk and Leather Collar Boxes 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50

Fur and Plush Caps 50c, \$1.00, \$2.50, \$3.00

Initial Handkerchiefs 10c, 25c, 50c

Silk Lined Kid Gloves \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00

Scarf Pin Sets 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00

White and Colored Silk Handkerchiefs 25c, 50c, 75c

Mens' Suits and Overcoats \$10.00 to \$35.00

Solid Gold Scarf Pins in Plush Boxes \$1.50

Silk Mufflers 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50

Sleeve Buttons in Boxes 25c, 50c, 75c

Fur Gloves \$1.50, \$2.50, \$3.50

Wool Lined Gloves 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.50

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